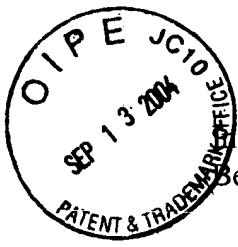


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This is in response to the Office Communication dated **September 9, 2004**, and is submitted on or before the due date of **October 9, 2004**. The Amendment is supplemental to the Response submitted on June 17, 2004. Applicants believe that there is no fee due associated with this matter, however, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing Attorney Docket No. 03678.0023.CNUS04.